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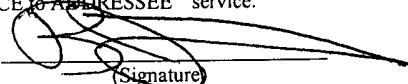
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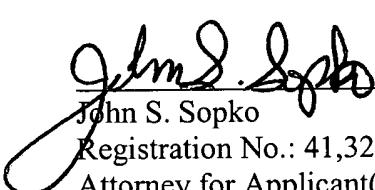
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In order to fulfill the requirements of candor and good faith set forth in 37 C.F.R. §1.56, Applicants submit herewith this Information Disclosure Statement in accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.97 and §1.98. The documents are listed on PTO Form 1449. We have enclosed the cited documents to facilitate reference to them.

Enclosed is a copy of the International Search Report for PCT/EP02/05321 and for priority application EP 01 20 1739. Also enclosed are copies of the Written Opinions and International Preliminary Examination Report for PCT/EP02/05321. Except as being cited in the above-mentioned reports, the exact relevance of certain these references is unknown.

If the Examiner has any questions or comments relating to the present application, he or she is respectfully invited to contact Applicants' attorney at the telephone number set forth below.

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